Amendment to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 22 and 23 in the following manner:

A rectangle shown in FIG. 3A is an example of a rectangle which has been rendered first. The first rendered rectangle extends from a coordinate P1 to a coordinate P2 in the direction x. A rectangle shown in FIG. 3B is an example of a second rectangle which has been rendered. FIG. 3C shows an example of a state in which the second rectangle ~~overlay~~ overlays on the first rectangle. The second rendered rectangle extends from the coordinate P1 to the coordinate P3 in the direction x. It is assumed that the first and the second rectangles are adjacently aligned in accordance with a rendering instruction order. It is also assumed that the ranges of the first and the second rectangles in the direction y are both identical. Sides of the two rectangles of FIGs. 3A and 3B are on a line parallel to the axis y with the distance P1, for example, from axis y. The two rectangles are positioned where a rectangle includes or, in other words, overlay on another rectangle. The relationship of the position of the two rectangles is defined to satisfy the following: P1 is equal to or smaller than P2 and P1 is equal to or smaller than P3. In FIG. 3C, P3 is equal to or smaller than P2, for example. Each of the two rectangles has an arbitrary image density.

Please amend the paragraph at page 34, line $\overset{4}{Y}$ through page 35, line $\overset{5}{2}$ in the following manner: SB 10-26-07

In order to obtain a run of the data run aggregates of FIG. 6A which is not overlaid ~~on~~ by the data run aggregates of FIG. 6B, each of the runs of aggregates of data included in FIG. 6B is examined and it is determined whether any one run of the data run aggregates of FIG. 6B is overlaid on any run of the data run aggregates included in the figure of FIG, 6A. A process is performed to determine whether a run which is determined as overlaid is overlaid with respect to a whole ~~part~~ of the run. When one run of the data run aggregates is determined as overlaid ~~in~~ as a whole ~~part~~, the run is deleted. In FIG. ~~6A~~ 6B, for example, a run with the condition that y equals to 1, sx equals to 4 and ex equals to 5 (hereinafter referred to as RB (1, 4, 5)) does not fall into the category of an overlaid run. The character RB refers to the data run aggregates in FIG. 6B. In the case of FIG. 6A, ~~RB is written~~ the data run aggregates are